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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of cited US patent and US patent application publications are not submitted herewith.

## REFERENCES CITED HEREIN

The Japanese references disclosed herein were cited in an Office Action mailed November 2, 2007, in counterpart Japanese application nos. JP 2001-013099 and JP 2004-315626. The US references submitted herein are family members of the cited

Japanese references and are being included for the Examiner's benefit.

The family of JP 11-177105 cited herewith includes: US Patent 6,369,410 B1 \*
US Patent 6,613,614 B2 \*

The family of JP 11-330486 cited herewith includes: US Patent 6,396,147 B1 \*

\* (Not cited in the 11/02/2007 JP Office Action)

No inference should be drawn that the attached list sets forth a comprehensive investigation of the prior art, that any or all are pertinent to the invention, or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

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disclosure of any document or other art, including the disclosure of those documents discussed herein, that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

## <u>FEE</u>

This IDS is being filed within three months of the references being cited in the counterpart Japanese applications, so no fee is believed due for this IDS. However, if any such fee is required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50/1039.

Respectfully submitted,

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